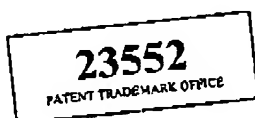


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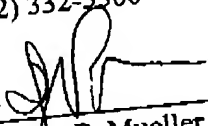
A revised Abstract has been provided as requested. Favorable reconsideration in the form of a Notice of Allowance is requested.



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